

Treason Discovered OR, The Black Book opened.

Wherein is set forth,

- I. A Discovery and Description of the Grand Traytors, Rebels, Blood-suckers, King-killers, and Caterpillars, of these Three Kingdoms ; And a true Character of these monstrous Canibals.
- II. A Catalogue of their Names ; And an Historial Account of their Rebellious Actions, State-Commotions, and Abominable Proceedings : The like never heard of for above one thousand years.
- III. The several Sums of Money which they divided among themselves during the sitting of the Long-Parliament, and in, and since the Tyrannical Domination of that most horrid, detestable, and Usurping Tyrant Oliver Cromwel, the Monster of Men, and shame of Christianity.
- IV. The Names of such Colonels, Citizens, and others, as made profit by the continuance of the War, Excise, Taxes, and oppressive Proceedings against the Body-politick of the People, during the long Exilement, and unjust Banishment of our Supreme Head and Governour Charles by the Grace of God King of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland.
- V. The Traytors Wizards presented to the People ; The Life and Death of the most Notorious and Bloody Judges of our late gracious Sovereign King Charles ; And the strange Beginning, Rise, and Fall, of such who have divided our murther'd Kings Inheritance.
- VI. The true Embleme and Pedigree of Maj. Gen. Harrison, son of a Butcher, Single-ey'd Hewson the Cobler; Ambitious Barkstead the Thimble-maker ; Rebellious John Okey the Dray-man ; And bold Sir Arthur Haslrig, and Politick Vane, the two great Incendiaries.

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HE DESIGNS, AIMS, INTERESTS, AND PROJECTS, OF CROMWELL, TREASON, AND OTHERS, WERE IN INVOLVING THESE NATIONS IN A MISERABLE AND DESTRUCTIVE WAR; GREAT PRETENCES, BUT SMALL PERFORMANCES; GREATNESS, WEALTH, AND HONOUR, WERE THE INDUCEMENTS OF THE MOST HYPOCRITICAL PERSONS IN THE WORLD TO PROFANE THE NAME OF GOD, BY CALLING THEIR CURSED AMBITION HIS CAUSE, TO MURDER SO MANY INNOCENT PERSONS BOTH BY THE CIVIL AND MILITARY SWORD, TO RUINE SO MANY NOBLE FAMILIES BY DEPRIVING THEM OF THE SUBSTANCE LEFT THEM FOR MANY YEARS FROM THEIR ANCESTORS, AND AT LENGTH, AS THE TOP OF ALL WICKEDNESS (HAVING BY DIVINE PERMISSION DEFEATED THE FORCES OF THEIR SOVEREIGN) TO MURDER HIM UNDER PRETENCE OF JUSTICE, FOR A TYRANT, WHEREAS IT IS EVIDENT TO THE CONTRARY, THAT NO NATION UNDER THE SUN LIVED MORE HAPPILY AND FREELY THEN WE, DURING THE REIGN OF THE MOST EXCELLENT AND RELIGIOUS KING, NOR ANY MORE MISERABLY AND FLAVISHLY, THEN SINCE HIS DEATH. THE FOLLOWING CATALOGUE WILL PRESENT THE PERUSERS WITH AN ACCOUNT OF SOME OF THEIR BASE ADVANTAGES BY OUR WOFUL MISERIES: AND FIRST WE SHALL BEGIN WITH THAT GRAND ENSLAVER OF HIS COUNTRY OLIVER CROMWELL. THIS SCOURGE OF GOD WAS IN THE BEGINNING OF THESE TROUBLES A MAN OF NO CONSIDERABLE FORTUNE, HIS WHOLE ESTATE AMOUNTING TO ABOUT 1300 L. WHICH AT THAT TIME HE INTENDED TO LAY OUT UPON A PURCHASE OF DRAINED FEN-LANDS. HE PASSED THROUGH THE SEVERAL DEGREES OF MILITARY COMMAND, TILL HE WAS ADVANCED TO BE GENERAL OF THE ARMY, DURING WHICH TIME HE RECEIVED GREAT GIFTS OUT OF ESTATES OF THE DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM, THE LORD FRANCIS VILLERS, THE MARQUESS OF WREXHAM'S ESTATE WORTH 5 OR 6000 L. PER. ANNUM, AND OTHERS; BEHIDES GREAT SUMS OF MONEY AT SEVERAL TIMES; AND, AS IT IS SAID FOR SOME YEARS THE WHOLE REVENUE OF NEAR ALL THE BENEFICES IN WALES, EMPLOYING FOUR ITINERATE TEACHERS TO COAST ABOUT THAT COUNTRY FOR 100 L. PER. ANNUM A MAN, AND TOOK OCCASION TO DISSOLVE THE

Rump of the Long Parliament just as they were going to call for the Accou[n]ts of that money, which amounted to a vast sum. One would have thought all this, with the Generals pay, might have satisfied such a man's appetite, whose beginning was so mean! But having profited greatly and Sovereignty to himself, from the beginning he waded to it through the Blood of his Natural Prince, and great numbers of his Fellow-Subjects, and made himself Supreme Governour of these Nations, under the Title o' Protector; which Power, he held with much Oppression, Dissimulation, Hypocrisie, and Blood-shed, for about 5 years, when God cut him off before he had well-provided for the establishment of his Son in the succession: His Funeral was solemnized with great pomp, they say to the worth of 30000 l: which is yeas palpably. He spent a vast deal of Treasure to maintain his Tyranny: But he is gone to his own place; and let his memory be accursed forever.

2. *Charles Fleetwood Col. and Lord Deputy of Ireland.* This pitiful Anabaptist was Oliver's Son-in-Law, and upon that score advanced to be Lieutenant General of the Army, for merit he never had any. In the dividing of the Murdered King's inheritance, Woodstock and other rich possessions fell to his share. About a year since, he, with some other Officers, ungratefully Dethroned Protector Richard, restored the Rump for a while, and then unrooted them again; after which, during the space of near 6 Weeks he acted King at Wallingford-house; (one of his Palaces) but the Rumpers coming to sit again, tender-hearted mock-Prince melted into Tears, and his Hypocritical Wizard of Religion being pulled off, he went off the Stage ridiculously.

3. *Thomas Lord Gray of Groby, Colonel;* and hath given to him the Queen's Manner, House, Park, and Lands at H[er]tford, also purchased a large part of the Lord Cravens Estate, particularly Coom Abbey, judged worth 3000 l. per annum, for an inconsiderable sum, and one of the late King's Judges.

4. *Sir Arthur Haslrig.* This boisterous Incendiary, having by base and vild courses possessed himself of several Cole-pits near Newcastle, was some years (as it may be feared) the occasion of starving many poor people in London to death through cold; for being Governour (he without any publick Authority) laid a Tax of 4 shillings per Chaldron on the Coals there, amounting to 5000 l. per annum; He got three great Mannors of the Bishops, Aukland, Ew[en]woods, and another for an inconsiderable matter; he has been an implacable Enemy to one Mr. Coldingwood, and wronged him of a great Estate; he hath a rich Fleece, reported to the value of 20000 l. per annum, but I hope ie will ere long be sheared.

5. *Cornelius*

5. **Cornelius Mand**, his Father died in the Fleet for debts; and him a poor Boy in the Court, waiting on Sir Henry Vane, Rich. C. troller of the Princes house, he was still Sir Henry Vane's Servt, gave a Compt with his Master for the Revenue of the King, Queen, and Prince. This Pharisee was ingaged with other Monoplists and Patentees, while they stood, his Conscience scrupling not the means where prouer was the prize, he was turned out of the Office of the Green cloath for fraud and breach of trust [with the help of his master] made himself a Farmer of the Kings feeding grounds at Creston in Buckinghamsire worth 1800 l. or 2000 l. per annum, at the rate of 20 l. per annum which he discounted. He posset Somerset-house a long time, where he and his Family nestled themselves. He was Keeper of Rich mond-houſe for his Countrey Reteat. He was Commissary for the Garrisons at White-hall and the Mews; He had an Office in the Mint, and having ten Children, he long since gave 5000 l. with a Daugheer, after which rate we must conceive he had laid aside 9000 l. for Portions; he was one of the Kings true Judges, and one of the Committee of Safety.

6. **John Henson** at first a Cobler of London, or at best a Shoemaker, went out a Captain upon the account of the cause; his Zeal brought him to be a Colonel, and afterwards was made Governor of Dublin in Ireland, from whence he was sent for to be one of Barebones Parliament and of all the most Parliaments since, was made a Knight of the new stamp, and afterwards was thought a fit person to be a Lord of the Other Houſe, and for his Wisdom and good Service in all his other imployments, was thought fit to be one of the 12 Honourable Persons of the Committee of Safety that were to manage all publick Affairs of the Nation, and to consider upon a frame of Government to be established; But in the heat of that great work, he was in all haste by his Brethren of that Committee sent in a rage into London to kill and stile the Innocent Boyes playing at Foot-ball in the Streets, much like his Brother's Pride who cruelly destroyed innocent Beare, afterwards the Coronets Jury that sat upon the murdered persons, found his Lordship guilty; he had been Tryed at the Sessions before in the Old Bailey, had not the News of his Majesties happy arrival prevented the sitting of that Court, and no doubt before this time received the reward of his works: He was likewise one of the Barbarous Judges of his blessed King.

7. **John Loft Barrester of the Temple, Master of St. Cross in Doctor Lewis's place**, being a place for a Divine, worth 800 l. per annum, and one of the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, worth 3500 l. per annum.

1. *Walter Ralegh*, one of the Kings Judges, afterwards became a *Constitutional*, sword in hand at his first installing chief Magistrate : He was President of the High Court of Justice (so-called) which Tryed Sir Henry Slingsby and Doctor Hewit, &c. for Treason against the Protector, and passed Sentence of Death against them.

2. *Henry Martin* Colonel of a Regiment of Horse (and a Regiment of Whores) he had given him 3000l. at one time to put him upon the Holy Sisters and take off from the Levellers, he had the Reputation of a precious Saint from his youth, in reference to all kinds of Debauchery, Uncleanness, and Fraud, having sold his Estate three times over, he lay many years a Prisoner in the Kings-Bench for debt, and disgraced the place by renewing the old Stews upon the Bank-side, he had several other large sums given him, and was one of the Kings bloody Judges.

3. *Richard Dean*, Goodman Button (an Hoymen of Ipswich), his Boy ; after a march in the Army, then Colonel and Commander in chief in Scotland, then made one of the Generals at Sea, he was there slain, having left a great estate behinde him ; *Havering Manor* in Essex, whose Park he unmercifully demolished : He was not onely one of the Kings implacable Judges, but one of those that signed the Warrant for his Death ; and appointed the time and place for his Execution at White-hall.

4. *John Barkstead* the Son of Michael Barkstead a Gold-Smithe who also was himself in his minority a petty Gold-Smithe in the Strand, a very empty shallow pated person ; he forsook his Shop, shuffled himself into the Camp, where more by Fortune then valour he climbed up to be a Colonel, and after that Lieutenant of the Tower, adopted to be an Alderman, Major General of Middlesex, a persecutor of the Kings party, who also was one of his Judges. A thorough paced Agent for all Governments, and a most active Imp of that Tyrant and Damned Usurper Oliver Cromwel.

5. *Thomas Harrison* a man of very mean birth, being the Son of a Butcher near Newcastle underline. He was Servant to master Hyde an Attorney at Law, but esteeming War better then Peace, got into the Army, and having the knack of Canting, was supposed to be a person of surpassing piety, and so insinuated himself from one Command to another, till he became Major General of Ults, being dangerously Anabaptistical in his Tenets, and a perfect hater of Orthodox Divinity, and a devourer of their maintenance ; he was lately a Preacher, and indeed Head of a Re-baptized Congregation in London ; he was clearly against Monarchy, not onely sitting as a milicious Judge against his

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True Sovereign, but w^t one of those five shillings did the King
and place for his Execution.

12. *John Okey*, his Parentage was as mean as his calling, some de-
eming him a Dray-man, others a Yeast-man, but he was a Stoaker in a
Brewhouse at *Islington*, and next a most poor Chandler near *Lyon-key*
in *Thames-street*; where living very poor and indigent, he converted
his Blue Apron into a Buff Coat, and became a Colonel of Dra-
goons; a fellow of greater bulk then Brains, and strength then wit or
Conscience, otherwise he would have had more Grace that to have
been one of the Kings Judges, and be one of that most impudent Com-
mittee that signed the Warrant for his death, and appoint the time
and place for his Execution.

13. *Mathew Tomlinson* before these times was a Gentleman Usher to
a Lady, and afterwards became a Major in the Army, and then a Col-
onel, was sent Commissioner into Ireland by the Tyrant Oliver, and was
Knighted there by *Henry Cromwell* his second Son; was one of those
cruel Tygers and Blood-thirsty Villains that conducted the King to
the Scaffold, and hath got a great Estate.

14. *Edmond Prideaux* formerly Commissioner to the Great Seal,
worth 1500 l. per annum, did by Ordinance practice within the Bar as
one of the Kings Council, worth 5000 l. per annum, and after that was
Attorney-General, worth what he pleased to make it; Post-matter
of all the In-land Letters, at 6 pence a Letter, worth 45000 l. per an-
num, and he got it thus: The Lord Stanhope, the Post-masters, and Car-
riers of England, complained in Parliament against master *Withering*,
and others, touching the carrying of Letters; whereupon the branch
of Foreign Letters were given to the Earl of *Warwick*, worth more
then 7000 l. per annum, and in land Letters to master *Prideaux*: Was
not this pure Justice?

15. Sir *Henry Vane* Senior, hath the Bishop of *Durham's* M^tor, Park,
Demeansh of *Everwood*, had given him 3000 l. Chair-man for the
Kings, Queens, and Princes Revenue, the Epitome whereof is Lord
Treasurer; his man *Coxens* was Clerk to the Committee, and got
3500 or 2000 l. per annum by it.

And if the man Jack profits bave,
What ought be them that keep the Knave.

16. *Edward Whaley* formerly a Woollen Draper or petty Merchant
in London, where not thriving, and being much in debt, herded into
Scotland, till the Wars began, which he hath found a more painful
trade;

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Trade, in which he was Commissary General of the Horse; he was of the late Parliaments, and a great promoter of Oliver's ambitions designs and his Countries slavery, for which he was made a Major General of two or three Counties, and a Lord of the Other House; but the restoring of the Rump checkt this littlemans greatness, till Lambert turned them out, and then he was sent into Scotland to desire General Monck to be quiet. He was one of the *Accursed Crew* that fate in Judgement on the King.

17. Sir Henry Vane junior, Son to the Elder, totally outed Sir William Russell, and was sole Treasurer to the Navy, a place worth at least 6000 l. per annum in time of War, especially when the Lord Treasurer was his Friend; more when he was his Father. He was a Discontent during all Oliver and Richards Government; he is no doubt a man of much Religion, and would have become one of the Rulers of Israel, if the intended match between his Son and Lamberts Daughter had not been spoiled by the restitution of the Rump,

18. Thomas Scot, by Birth Son of a mean Brewer, and by adoption a Brewers Clerk of London; who by being transplanted to Alisbury, grew up to the Statute of a Sollicitor or Attorney; a little sneaking fellow, but a great lover of mischeif, who cloasing in with our first Divisions help to widen them; a great pretender to piety, but much believed to be of a loose and base lascivious life, having been said to have had the Grin-cums: A diligent Searcher after Seizer, and Supresser of the Kings Books, or any thing Printed in his favour; a terrible man for a Commonwealth, having been a long Rumper, and Secretary to the Council of State, having been one of the Kings Judges impudently glorying, That when he was dead, he desired no other Inscription, then this; *Pere lyes Thomas Scot, one of the late Kings Lawyers.*

19. Henry Lawrence a Member of the Long Parliament, fell off at the murder of the late King, for which the Protector with great zeal Declared, *That a natural spirit was more to be abhorred then a Cavalier spirit, and that such men as he were not fit to be offend in such a day as that, when God was cutting down King ship Root and Branch.* Yet he came into play again, and contributed much to the setting up of the Protector and a single person, affirming, *That no other Foundation could stand, for which worthy service, he was made and continued President of the Protectors Council, where he signed many Arbitrary and Illegal Warrants for carrying honest men to Prison for not Apostatizing with them; he was thorough pac't, and one who has well feathered his Nest, being also one of the Lords of the Other House, and when that honour vanquished, he became one of the honourable Committee of Safety.* What he will be next is worth the enquiry.

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